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GOLF BALLS AND BOXING GLOVES. A new stock just received by Henry Short & Sons, Gunmakers, 72 Douglas St. oct25-1w

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TUESDAY, OCT. 26, AT 2 P.M.

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Including Oak Bed Set, Oak Dining Table and Chairs, Linoleum, Mattings, Rockers, Centre and Other Tables, Sideboard, Woven Wire, Spring Edge and Top Mattresses, Blankets, Bed Linen, Carpets, Shotgun, Stoves, and a host of useful articles required in a well furnished house.

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A CRITICAL STAGE

Controversy Between Spain and the United States May Be the Prelude to a Rupture.

Cuba Is To Be Offered Complete Local Government With Universal Suffrage.

London, Oct. 25.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Mail says:

"The Spanish press unanimously supports the attitude of the government, which it calls 'eminently sober and dignified,' but the impression is that the controversy with the United States has reached a critical stage. The prelude to a rupture. I spoke with three members of the cabinet on Sunday, who also in identical words said that Spain had the right, after her tremendous sacrifices in Cuba, to demand the observance of international neutrality by other nations."

The Madrid correspondent of the Standard says:

"A member of the cabinet has assured me that the government intends to give Cuba complete local government, with universal suffrage to elect municipal and provincial councils and insular parliament, the latter to be composed of upper and lower chambers, having entire control of the taxation and tariff. The responsible government will be composed of five ministers, whose councils will be provided over by the governor-general. Senators and deputies for Cuba will continue to sit in the Spanish cortes, and the imperial government will still control the army, navy, police and foreign affairs of the colony, exactly as the programme of the autonomists demanded. The government has received promises of support from both the autonomists in Cuba and those residing in France and the United States, and expects no opposition from other colonial parties. The same minister says the government does not believe in the Spanish note will cause friction with the United States, because it is couched in a friendly tone, and virtually says that Spain is doing what the United States has repeatedly advised."

TO BREAK THE DREIBUND.

Italian Statesman Proposes That Italy Form an Alliance With England.

Berlin, Oct. 25.—An article in the Nuova Autonomia, an influential Italian magazine, published by ex-Minister Ferraris, has caused a profound sensation in Germany. The article is a summary of a four-volume book by Sig. Chialli, the Italian senator and historian. He advocates the formal withdrawal of Italy from the Dreibund at the expiration of the present terms of that compact, and the forming of a new alliance between Italy and Great Britain. The article shows that in 1882 Italy was on the point of leaving the Dreibund, and in 1891 she was only prevailed upon to continue for the sake of preserving universal peace.

Continuing, the writer proceeds to demonstrate that Italy's most vital political interests are in the Mediterranean, and that only Great Britain can aid her there. The article contains all sorts of official documents in support of this reasoning, the most important being a letter of Count Robilant to Count Launay, then ambassador at Berlin.

It is believed in Berlin diplomatic circles that Sig. Chialli's book expresses the convictions of Italy's statesmen, and that the withdrawal of Italy from the Dreibund is a foregone conclusion. The government newspapers have preserved silence on the subject, but the Staats Berger Zeitung says: "Germany can calmly await Italy's withdrawal, for it is undeniable that Germany does not need Italy, but the latter is condemned to impotence without Germany's aid."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—By respectable woman, situation as maid or housekeeper. Apply L. H. Times office. oct25-1w

Municipal Notice.

As the 31st day of October falls on Sunday, the last day for paying taxes to receive the abatement of one-sixth will be the first day of November; therefore tomorrow will be the last day but FIVE.

CHAS. KENT, Collector.

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LIKE A NEW CRUSADER.

Henry George Preaches to Crowds Frenzied With Enthusiasm.

New York, Oct. 25.—Henry George's campaign continues to be the spectacular feature of the most remarkable political campaign New York has ever witnessed. His army of speakers hold hundreds of meetings in all parts of New York every night, but Mr. George is the most effective advocate of his cause, preaching the crusade against poverty with the zeal of Peter the Hermit, declaring himself an instrument in the hands of God to better the condition of his fellow-men, and urging his hearers with an ardor that makes them in turn apostles of his radical doctrine. In every borough of Greater New York, in parks, in the streets and on the wharves, Henry George speaks to multitudes that cheer his every word. For the past few nights Mr. George has been making savage attacks on Richard Croker, the leader of Tammany Hall. Of speakers there is no lack. All the survivors of the 1896 campaign are on the stump again except Father McGlynn, and he has declared himself in sympathy with the movement.

All Tammany-browns gathered into and overflowed McVett's hall on Abington street on the lower west side to-night, to hear Mr. George and Charles W. Dayton. Mr. Dayton was just finishing when cheers far down the street heralded the coming of Mr. George. Every one in the hall turned about and watched the door. When the jostling in the crowd near the door told the audience that the popular idol was near at hand, there was a great cheer, but when the smiling face of the candidate appeared the audience seemed to go awfully mad. Men shrieked and roared. They did not cheer. "Some grasped their nearest neighbors by the hand and they yelled in unison. Mr. George tried several times to quiet them, but each time he raised his hand the tumult started anew. But order was restored and the candidate made his speech."

Mr. George concluded his address at Untenpost at 9 o'clock, and twenty minutes later he arrived at the hall at Kingsbridge. The hall was packed to its utmost and hundreds of people waited on the sidewalk, trying to get a glimpse of Mr. George.

Both Mr. George and Mr. Dayton spoke at the Yanderbille hall of the Harlem opera house to-night. It was completely filled with an audience composed of the larger part of women and children. They were as enthusiastic as the men. Mayor Strong made a short speech.

Twelve thousand wheelmen passed in review to-night before Robert A. Van Wyck, the Tammany candidate for mayor, on the Grand boulevard. The Tammany candidate has won favor with the local bicyclists, because in his letter of acceptance he advocated good roads within the limits of the consolidated city.

Each day's developments accentuate the fact that in the municipal campaign a leading issue, if not the foremost one, is whether the government of Greater New York shall be partisan or non-partisan. Day by day the gall and bitterness of the contest enters more and more into the minds of regular toward independent, and of independent toward regular.

As to the basis of the claims of the managers of the respective factions that their tickets will win at the polls, Tammany believe Van Wyck will win because Greater New York is normally Democratic by a large majority; because the public has wearied of what some style "alleged reform," because the tax rate has been increased; because of division in the Republican ranks and because, as alleged, George's strength has been greatly exaggerated.

The straight Republicans say that the total Democratic majority is only about 20,000 in the four counties of New York. Kings Queens and Richmond, and George will get at least 80,000—probably 100,000—votes which will come almost entirely from the Tammany forces, while Low's vote will be much less than is claimed, and of its total, fully half will come from Democrats who fear Tammany's ascendancy, but do not want George. Much is also hoped for from the Democrats who fear the effect Van Wyck's or George's election would have on the currency issue in national politics.

Low's supporters profess confidence, because of reported defections from Tammany, because of objections to what is called "boss rule" and "machine politics," because of careful canvasses before and since Low's acceptance, and because of the record, personal and political, of Columbus's president.

The George men base their hopes on the showing of their candidate in 1896, on the support of the Bryan forces and on the discontent with Tammany methods.

THE WHALING FLEET.

San Francisco, Oct. 25.—The bark Lydia, the first of the whaling fleet to arrive, reached here yesterday with only three whales, yielding 34,000 pounds of bone and 300 barrels of oil. The bark was out on the coast for two days. A succession of heavy seas was encountered during the entire passage, with constant heavy rain. On September 9th the bark Andrew Hicks was sighted. She also had caught only three whales. About the time the bark started home, the crew states, many whales were sighted going into the northern gulf, but fearing shipwreck Jenks decided to make this port.

FATAL HOTEL FIRE.

Thirteen Persons Burned to Death. Seven Injured. Near Oil City.

Oil City, Pa., Oct. 25.—Three persons were burned to death and seven more injured in a fire yesterday which destroyed the hotel Brooklyn at Kelleysville. Five miles south of Oil City. When the fire was discovered if persons were sleeping in the hotel. Six men on the second floor and five on the third, saved themselves by jumping from the window to the ground below.

CABLE FLASHES.

Glasgow, Oct. 25.—After arresting a disorderly medical student named Battersby, who resisted with a poker, Police Constable Urquhart, who received a severe blow on the head, dropped dead on his arrival at the police station with his prisoner.

London, Oct. 25.—Mr. Francis Turner, Halgrave, the poet and essayist, is dead, aged 74.

London, Oct. 25.—The Rev. John Stoughton, D.D., the well-known Congregational minister and author of a number of religious works, is dead. He was born at Norwich in 1807.

The mission of Hood's Bursaparrilla is to cure disease, and thousands of testimonials prove it fulfills its mission well.

FROM THE CAPITAL

The Allan and Dominion Steamship Lines Will Meet the Government's Views.

A Rumor That Solicitor-General Fitzpatrick Has Resigned—The Ottawa Citizen Sold.

Ottawa, Oct. 25.—There will be a final ruling on Wednesday in the matter of the Atlantic mail contract. The Allan and Dominion lines have made up their minds to drop the large government subsidy of \$12,000 which is now paid them for a little more than regular service. They are afraid the government will send all letters by way of New York and drop the Canadian lines altogether. For this reason, although they stipulated in their offer to the late advertisement, that the C.P.R. must guarantee freights sufficient for their fortnightly service, both companies are willing to drop this condition. The subject was fully gone into at the cabinet council of Saturday. It will come up before the government on Wednesday when Mr. Blair will be back to the capital. In the meantime Deputy Minister Parmelee has gone to Mount Clemens' Springs, Mich., to present the full case to Sir Richard Cartwright and secure his opinion.

Hon. Mr. Davies, minister of marine and fisheries, is back at Ottawa and will take up the question of arrangements for the Washington seal conference. He is likely to attend in person, but the meeting may not take place before December.

Two sons of Mr. Southam, of the Hamilton Spectator, have purchased the Ottawa Citizen. Sir Louis Davies has purchased the commodious and handsome residence of Sir John Carling, on the corner of Metcalfe and Somerset streets, for \$12,000. A report is current here to-day that Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, solicitor general, has resigned. The story cannot be officially verified.

PLUNGED TO DEATH

Great Railway Disaster Near New York—Buffalo Special Drops Into a River.

Nineteen Dead, Many Injured—Many Remarkable Escapes—A Marvellous Tale.

Garrison, N. Y., Oct. 25.—The "run" of the Buffalo special, which started from Bison City at 7:50 o'clock Saturday evening, will never be finished. The engine that pulled the special and several of its cars lie in the river near here, or rest on the shore, where they have been lifted by the wrecking crew. The train was made up as follows: Engine and tender, express car, combination smoker and baggage, day coach and six sleepers; the "Glen Alpine," "Hermes," "Niobe," the latter taken on at Utica; "Diana," taken on at Rochester; "Anita," taken on at Syracuse; and "Raquet," taken on at Albany.

The train was filled and most of the passengers were asleep.

Just after leaving Poughkeepsie point, near Garrison, the train plunged into the river. Only the last of the three cars, the sleepers "Diana," "Anita" and "Raquet River," remained on the track. They were saved by breaking couplings.

The exact cause of the disaster could probably only be told by the engineer and fireman. They are both dead. To-day it is said by experts that the recent high tides washed away and weakened the roadbed. Perhaps the most remarkable of all things connected with the accident is that so many escaped and that only 19, so far as known, perished.

Those known to have died, perished in where they slept, or drowned while they struggled to reach shore are:

Thos. Reilly, of St. Louis, Mo.; A. Green, Chicago; W. H. C. Meyers, of Passaic, N. Y.; J. Guiseppe, Padua, N.Y.; W. S. Becker, Newark, N. J.; S. Williams, Buffalo, N. Y.; A. C. McKay, private secretary to General Superintendent Van Etter; John Foyle, engineer, East Albany, N. Y.; John Tompkins, fireman, East Albany; two unidentified women; Swong Gim Hop and six other Chinamen, not yet identified. T. Parsons, thought to be dead, escaped with a few bruises.

SHOT THEIR PAI.

Burglars Loot a Bank and Kill a Comrade by Mistake.

Webster City, Pa., Oct. 25.—Three masked burglars robbed the state bank of Blairburg at 7 o'clock this morning. They used dynamite, and secured \$1,000 worth of securities and a small amount in cash. On leaving the building, two of the burglars saw one of their pals, Edward Giltacoin, advancing towards them. It was dark, and in the excitement they mistook him for an officer and shot him twice. He was captured, and is not expected to live. The other two escaped.

Kickapoo Indian Oil, the little doctor for rheumatism in all its various forms, sprains, bruises, sores and pains. Internal and external use.

DOWN FROM DAWSON

Steamer Humboldt, From St. Michaels,
Brings the Last Party to
Come Overland.

No More Gold This Year—All
Boats Now on the Yukon
Frozen In.

Seattle, Oct. 23.—The steamer Humboldt arrived to-night at 10 o'clock with five men direct from Dawson City, leaving there September 3rd, and three men from Minook creek and other points on the Yukon. They say no gold will come out this fall, as this steamer has taken the last of those who have come down the Yukon.

The river is already frozen hard and the river boats are laid up for the winter. The Humboldt left St. Michaels October 10th. The five men from Dawson are John F. Miller and Frank E. Sims, of this city; C. A. Harrison, of Tacoma, Kan.; Wm. Du Bell, New Jersey, and W. Braund, of Black Diamond, Wash. They were passengers on the river steamer Margaret.

When they found the mouth of the river closed with ice, they resolved to come overland at all hazards to St. Michaels. For seven days they crept forward through terrible snow and wind storms.

Of the five or six thousand people in Dawson and vicinity, at least 1,000 will be obliged to flee from impending starvation. Up to September 3rd, when the Miller party left Dawson, new arrivals numbered from three to twenty per day and there is no doubt that ratio will be continued all winter. Three hundred men are working in the gulches, and in the hills were several hundred prospectors, all of whom knew nothing of the shortage, and were depending on the company stores for provisions.

One way of relief is open to the miners. Five hundred or a thousand could winter at Circle City, 100 miles below Dawson, and draw their supplies by dog train from Fort Yukon. Circle City has 500 houses and is said to be the largest log cabin town in the world.

John F. Miller says there will not necessarily be starvation, but certainly miners will suffer extreme privations. Five hundred men intended to come down the river, but that is closed, and they cannot get out.

"Our leaving," says Sims, "was the beginning of a stampede for grub."

The transportation companies at St. Michaels and Fort Yukon claim the liquor traffic has had no appreciable effect on the supply of provisions. Not more than thirty tons of liquor, they say, has gone into the country.

With the blockade of the Yukon, every possibility vanishes of treasure by the steamer Portland. No gold will come out this year.

There is any amount of gold at Dawson. It is not unusual to see horses loaded with dust. But the mines are owned by men who know their value.

"One sees it on every hand," says the returning miner. "It seems plentiful, but you must remember it is more plentiful in the United States treasury, and is just as hard to get. People who flock to the mines expecting to pick up gold in the grass roots do not realize what they are up against."

There is no doubt that a large amount of treasure will come from the Yukon basin next spring, if the miners can get enough to eat to continue drifting during the winter. The gold sent out early this year will not be a circumstance to next spring's output of the sluice boxes.

Mr. Miller says nothing of considerable value has been found this summer. There is not an inch of ground unstaked on the Klondike. The following named creeks have been located:

Sulphur, Quartz and Moosehide, for a distance of twelve miles above the mouth; Dominion and Victoria gulch. Moosehide creek is five miles below Dawson; Henderson creek is twelve miles above Stewart river, and Victoria gulch is twelve miles below Stewart river.

RAMPART CITY GROWING.

Port Townsend, Oct. 23.—The schooner Fischer Brothers arrived to-day after a remarkably rough trip from St. Michaels, her only passenger being W. D. Gaylord, of Buffalo, N.Y. Gaylord states that many claims have been staked off adjacent to Rampart City, some giving indications of large wealth, and that the population of Rampart City, despite the warnings that have gone out of the impossibility of getting to Dawson, is constantly on the increase, every incoming steamer, to say nothing of sail and row boats, being loaded to its full capacity.

STEAMERS ON THE RIVER.

Port Get There, Alaska, Oct. 8.—From the Miller party, arriving to-day from Dawson, tidings are received of the Yukon river steamers as follows:

P. B. Wear at White-Eye September 1st, bound for Fort Yukon with about eight passengers.
Steamer St. Michael, with a dozen passengers aboard and large in tow, at Fort Hamlin, September 10th.
Bella left Fort Hamlin bound up, September 17th.

Victoria passed twenty miles below Fort Hamlin September 19th.

Northern Light (small missionary vessel) belonging to the Church of England, at Minook, September 21st.

Governor Steensman and Henry B., each towing a barge, bound up as far as they can go, at Nulato, September 23rd.

Seattle No. 1, Mayor W. D. Wood's party, sighted on the opposite side of an island five miles below Nulato, September 29th.

May West passed below Anvik September 29th; was sunk to the gunwales with heavy deck load of wood, and was going at a lively rate.

Charles H. Hamilton, in winter quarters, on Kuskokwim stream, across the river from Russian mission.

Margaret, tied up at Adirondack.

Yukon, at Capt. Moore's place.

Alice, frozen in at the mouth of the river.

W. K. Merwin, frozen in at the mouth of the river.

J. J. Healy, off the mouth of the river attempting to enter.

In the harbor are the Portland, Humboldt, Excelsior, Bear, steam schooner,

Navarro, Lakme, Polikofski and Mare Island. The Humboldt and Navarro are to sail to-morrow, and the Portland October 10th. The Bear may leave to-morrow. The last vessel to leave probably will be the Excelsior for San Francisco.

NO GOLD OUT THIS YEAR.

Klondike Miners Will Strive to Reach
St. Michaels Before Winter
is Over.

St. Michaels, Alaska, Oct. 8.—With the blockade of the Yukon by low water in the upper river and ice at the mouth, every possibility vanishes of a load of treasure by the steamer Portland. No gold will come out this year. But there is some prospect of miners getting down the river and walking across the tundra to this point. The middle river may be open to navigation for several days yet, possibly a fortnight, had miners from Dawson may journey by raft or rowboat to Fort Yukon, to connect with a down streamer.

The miners of the Klondike have been fully informed of the shortage for several weeks, and a rush out of the gruelless diggings will bring them to this point before the winter is ended, but they may not arrive in time to connect with the steamers.

Today the weather has improved, the thermometer rising to 40 degrees. If the thaw continues, there is an expectation that the blockade at the mouth of the river may be broken, letting the Healy, the Merwin and the Alice enter the Yukon. The Merwin and Alice are each in a perilous position and may become a total loss. The Merwin is blocked in ice about six inches thick. W. E. E. worthy, of Port Blakeley, sends word that everyone on board the Merwin is well. If the boat is not free, the party will transport their supplies ashore before the ice crushes the boat in the early summer.

The Portland is scheduled to sail October 10th. She is delayed by the unloading of the schooner Queen, which is material for Moran's shipyard at Dutch Harbor. As bad fortune would have it, the material needed at Port Get There was loaded in the steamer's hold, while the necessary to be delivered at Dutch Harbor by the wreck of the Healyene is on top. As lighter facilities are limited, the work of unloading the Portland cannot be commenced until the Queen is out of the way. The Portland will stop at Dutch Harbor three days.

The men who came out by the Margaret have located claims as follows:

John F. Miller has claim 50 below on Sulphur creek. His partner is H. Shenfe, who is in possession of the property.

Frank E. Sims has a claim on Bonanza creek.

C. A. Harrison owns claims on Bonanza and El Dorado creeks.

William Braund owns a fourth interest in 52 below, Bonanza creek. His partner is Jim Warner, of Oregon. Burns, Crawford, Treat and Hannon, of Seattle, own a half interest.

THE LIBELANTS LOSE.

Objections Sustained in the Steamer
Eugene Case.

Seattle, Oct. 24.—Judge Hanford yesterday sustained the exceptions to the libel brought against the steamer Eugene by Gaston Jacob and others, for damages on account of the failure of the Portland-Alaska Trading & Transportation Company to land the passengers of the steamer at Dawson City.

Each of the libelants alleged that the company, being at the time the owner of the steamer Eugene, entered into a contract to carry them from Seattle to St. Michaels on the steamship Bristol, and thence on the Eugene to Dawson City, for which he paid \$300. A breach of contract was alleged in that the steamer Eugene failed to go to St. Michaels to receive the libelants, as agreed. For loss of time and other damages, each of the libelants claimed \$1,000.

In the decision the court says that authorities conflict on the point as to whether suits in rem can be maintained for breach of an executory contract to carry a passenger on board a particular vessel, where the vessel has not entered upon performance.

After quoting several authorities bearing on this question, an excerpt from a decision of the supreme court by Justice Davis is given, which is to this effect: "It is a principle of maritime law that the owner of the cargo has a lien on a vessel for any injury he may sustain by the fault of the vessel or master, but he creates no lien on the vessel as a contract for the performance of a contract to transport a cargo, until some lawful contract of freightage is made, and the cargo to which it relates has been delivered to the custody of the master or someone authorized to receive it."

Judge Hanford, in concluding, says that the authorities were conclusive on the point that the right to proceed in rem for a breach of contract does not exist until the cargo or a portion of it has been delivered to the master of the vessel, or his authorized agent. The weight of the authorities is found to bear against the position of the libelants. According to the authorities, it is not the making of a contract nor the payment of the consideration therefor which renders the vessel liable. The lien upon which the right to proceed in rem depends does not attach until the goods or passengers are placed within the care and under the control of the ship's master.

The exceptions to the libel were sustained.

A CONVOY UNNECESSARY.

St. Michaels, Alaska, Oct. 8.—The fact that the Portland will have no treasure on her return voyage to Seattle renders the services of a convoy unnecessary, and Capt. Tuttle, of the Bear, will sail from this port to-morrow independently on the Portland. The Bear will go directly to the Pribyloff islands to pick up a party of ten, under W. D. Duffield, assistant of the United States coast and geodetic survey. She will then coal at Unalaska, and will probably put in at Unga. The Bear will not reach Seattle before November 1st.

The Bear recently brought a pack of seventeen dogs from King's Island, 200 miles northwest of here, for J. M. Wilson, general agent of the Alaska Commercial Company. Capt. Tuttle tried to secure dogs of clear breed from Siberia, but the natives refused to sell first class animals. The King's Island dogs will be used between Lynn canal and the interior.

U. S. OFFICIALS FREE

Judge Hanford, of Seattle, Liberates
Lewis, Gardner and Cullom—No
Criminal Intent.

Court Says That the Government Will
Defend Its Officers from Prosecu-
tion by State Authorities.

"Where there is no ground for a criminal charge under the laws of Washington, the federal court will protect federal officers against prosecution, for acts done under color of authority in the performance of official duty."

"The statement that these men can be sent to the state penitentiary under conviction for robbery is an absurdity."

In these words, delivered in the course of his decision in the application of Special Employee Lewis and Interpreter Gardner for a writ of habeas corpus, Judge Hanford yesterday ordered the release of the officers from the custody of the state, and without fear of being interfered with by the state officers, says the P-I. The order granting the writ of habeas corpus will be issued Monday, requiring the deputy sheriff of Jefferson county to release Gardner and Lewis. In fact, both men will be out of the city when the order is issued, Mr. Lewis having gone east last night, and Mr. Gardner being now on his way to California.

The decision by Judge Hanford was rendered at the close of the hearing on the application of Gardner and Lewis for a writ of habeas corpus. Both had been arrested on the charge of robbery, preferred by Yee Gee, ex-collector Saunders' former Chinese interpreter, who had himself been under fire of the government on the charge of conspiring to land Chinese immigrants in violation of the exclusion act. Judge Brinker, for the government, intimated during the trial that Yee Gee himself was not really the prosecutor in the case—that while men who were interested in the matter were behind it. To one of the men interested in the case yesterday Judge Brinker said that the prosecution of Gardner and Lewis would reflect upon certain ex-officials at Port Townsend.

Judge Hanford's opinion in part is as follows:

"In deciding this case I do not mean to say that the warrant which Mr. Kiefer issued to break them out of the jail, that the proceedings under it were well advised or proper proceedings. I do not mean to say that the petitioners were lawfully discharging their official duties in what they did. In my opinion the warrant itself was improvidently and erroneously issued, and the proceedings were all ill-advised and conducted with bad judgment; but the fact is that the officer who issued this warrant is an officer of the United States, and given authority to issue warrants in proper cases."

"These petitioners were in the service of the government of the United States, and were acting in and about the matters that pertained to their duties as public officers. Now, where an officer from an excess of zeal or misinformation or lack of good judgment, executes what he conceives to be the duties of his office, but in an improper manner, even where he violates private rights, for his conduct he is answerable to the government or the power under whose appointment he is acting, and he may lay himself liable to answer to a private individual who is injured or oppressed by his action, but he does not lay himself liable to answer to the criminal process of a different government or a different sovereignty. With the complex system of government we have, state and national, we would be in an unstable condition if the state government can put in force its criminal laws to discipline United States officers for the manner in which they discharge their duties; or the other way, if the government of the United States should prosecute criminally sheriffs and ministerial officers and justices of the peace, and superior courts for errors of judgment or ignorance or blundering discharge of their duties, it would bring on a condition of chaos in a short time."

"Now, the facts, which are undisputed in this case, are that these petitioners were in the service of the United States under different appointments, and that in going with the deputy marshal, who had this warrant issued to him, they went by request and with his sanction, and all that they did was in an official character, without any private or individual malice, and without any felonious intent to commit a robbery or commit a felony of any kind. They did according to the evidence in things which in my judgment they had no right to do; but it does not constitute a crime against the state of Washington. If they were guilty of robbery, Judge Kiefer is a robber and Deputy Marshal McLaughlin is a robber and Mr. Cullom is a robber. Now the bare statement that these men can be sent to the penitentiary under conviction for robbery, shows that the idea is an absurdity."

"Therefore, in order to decide the question in the case now before the court, it is necessary to consider and determine whether the officers acted wantonly and with criminal intent; or whether in so far as their acts may be regarded as wrongful, they were mere errors of judgment."

"Now, in these cases by all the testimony it is proved clearly that there was no felonious intent in the minds of Mr. Lewis or Mr. Gardner, and the charge of robbery cannot be maintained simply on the ground that defects could be pointed out in the warrant that was issued to Mr. McLaughlin, and that the officers acted in excess of their jurisdiction. It is my opinion that they went beyond the line to which the warrant authorized them to go, and tried into matters which the warrant did not authorize them to pry into. All this is plain enough; but the felonious necessary intent to make robbers of them is entirely lacking. There are my views of the case, and an order will be made discharging the petitioners."

Several letters alleged to have been written by Yee Gee to his Chinese correspondents in Victoria and San Francisco were introduced in evidence by the government. Two of these letters were introduced as part of the case for the

government in the original action against Yee Gee. The additional letters introduced yesterday contained matter incriminating the former officials at Port Townsend. In the letter dated at Port Townsend June 10, last, purporting to have been written by Gee, addressed to Hip Lung & Co., of San Francisco, the request is made that a remittance of \$2,700 be forwarded on account of merchants' certificates, at \$150 each.

Another letter is addressed to Lee San Chow, of Vancouver or Victoria, in which Gee says: "I hear that when the Empress arrived at Victoria there was smallpox aboard, and our countrymen were held in quarantine. I have undertaken to land forty of her passengers on this trip on merchant certificates. When they land kindly notify me and Nig Hok Yee, in care of Yee Shing, Port Townsend, so that I can go to Collector Saunders and ask him to call up the cases which I have taken to land first. I will do the interpreting, and, of course, there will be no brooms. Our company has altogether piloted 915 Chinese on merchants' papers and native born papers."

"After deducting \$50 on each paper for Collector Saunders, \$20 for the attorney and \$5 each for witnesses, or about \$80 altogether, this nets us about \$6,400. After on the collection of the same we will go to China to enjoy the profits."

Another letter purporting to have been written by Yee Gee is dated June 15, last. In it he says: "We now owe Collector Saunders \$12,000. We are not able to pay Saunders' demands. We have \$5,000 on deposit with Yee Shing, so that we have to raise \$7,000 before we can settle the account."

A letter addressed to Quong Man Fung Co., San Francisco, says that he has made out thirty-two merchants' certificates, at \$150 each. Balance due is \$2,800. "As I owe the collector \$12,000," continues the writer, "I will go to Yee Gee, and he will make payment, please send me the money."

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Late next morning a farmer went to that identical clay bank for material to build a chimney, and dug him out while leading a wagon.

"That night, after giving the boy a good whipping, his father went to prayer meeting, and in delivering his experience said: 'I feel thankful to the Lord for the provisions he showed to my little clay-eater. John this mornin' for Brother Jones was a-makin' of a chimney, and he landed John up with the other clay, and he hadn't been for provisions John might have been a part of that chimney now—a smokin' an' a-makin', for from his friends an' loved ones! I want a prayer or thanksgiving for be offered up in this here meetin' right now. Brother Johnson, will you lead us?'"

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RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURE
Cash on hand January 1, 1897.....	City debt.....\$ 75,000 00
Bank of B. N. A. January 1, 1897.....	Civic salaries.....5,772 25
Land and improvement tax.....	Civic salaries.....5,772 25
Water rates and rents.....	City institutions (maintenance).....30,480 00
Trades licenses.....	Buildings and surveys.....1,148 00
Liquor licenses.....	Streets, bridges and sidewalks.....20,772 00
Fire Ins. Co. Tax.....	Miscellaneous.....15,687 00
Police Court fines.....	Education.....21,851 00
And fees.....	Board of health.....12,915 00
Road tax.....	
Market fees and rents.....	
Prov. Gov't. aid of the department.....	
Miscellaneous receipts.....	
Admin's house, special rate.....	
Education.....	
Prov. Gov't. per capita grant.....\$ 14,083 12	
Special rate.....1,600 47	
	\$15,713 59
Board of Health—Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1897.....	
Refunds, Darcy Island station.....	
Special rate.....	
	\$ 8,617 00
	\$24,330 59

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THE ALL-CANADIAN ROUTE.

From what we have learned from a gentleman who lately arrived in Victoria straight from the Klondike, we think there can be little doubt on the subject of which route is the best to get into and out of the Yukon gold fields. For some time back there has been a good deal of agreement of opinion on the matter, all who know anything at all about the subject declaring that the Stikine-Teslin Lake-Hootlaqua route was the only feasible one by which to reach the diggings. Our informant, an experienced and well-informed traveler through that region, assures us that the Teslin Lake route is undoubtedly the best road to and from Klondike, but he pointed out very forcibly that unless the provincial government take immediate action and make an adequate expenditure it will degenerate into another Skagway, Dyea or Dalton trail. The reason for this is that at present prospectors going in use the old Indian trail, a mere sheep track or foot path, which will be trodden into quagmires by the hoofs and feet of the thousands of horses and men who are certain to go in next spring. The provincial government recently made a grant of the ridiculous sum of \$2,000 to put the trail in a state fit for use; this sum they handed over, not to the government agent on the spot, Mr. Hyland, K.P., but to an American citizen, Mr. Calbreath, an old and respected resident of the district. He spent \$1,700 of that sum in corduroying a portion of the trail. After leaving the corduroy the prospector runs up against Nature unadorned, and has to get along the best he can. The provincial government, of course, sent out no engineer to survey the route and report; they just blindly voted a drop in the bucket like \$2,000 and told Mr. Calbreath (who has never been over the trail to Teslin) to spread it out this so as to make it go as far as possible; and he did so, although he knew that it was perfectly impossible to make a good trail through the country on any such amount. On his representation a further sum of \$3,000 was granted, and work to that amount has been done. What the provincial government must realize, our informant says, is that everybody in America is looking towards the Teslin Lake route as the only feasible one into the Klondike, and that if prompt measures are not taken to put a good road through the loss to the province will be enormous. From \$50,000 to \$75,000 will be required, but it will be an investment that will repay the province a thousandfold. When the York party arrived on the trail they quickly saw the impossibility of getting machinery over it, and doubtless their testimony will add weight to that already in as to the extreme urgency of the provincial government doing something right now. A cut-off about 20 miles long has been constructed, but that affords slight relief. As things stand now the provincial government, with a blindness quite characteristic of their way of doing things, has expended \$5,000, which has been absolutely wasted. Everybody in the province appears to realize that there will be an enormous rush here next spring; all who know the trail say that the all-Canadian route, viz.: Victoria to Stikine and from the Stikine to Telegraph Creek, thence to Teslin Lake, will be the route by which the vast majority will travel. If it is not put into something like order it will be knocked into the mud like the impossible Dyea or Skagway trails. If the government sends a big gang of men in in the spring to corduroy and stiffen up such spots as are necessary, the trail will undoubtedly become the highway to the Klondike, with Victoria as the base. Our informant says Mr. Jenalings and staff have been there surveying for the best route for a railway since last summer, and he is now going down the Hootlaqua accompanied by Mr. Ogilvie, son of the famous Dominion surveyor. They are coming out by the White Pass. The chief engineer of the Pacific division of the C.P.R. is also in the country on business; the agents of half a dozen big American transportation and supply companies are busy there; in fact, everybody seems to be there but representatives of the provincial government; the government are doing absolutely nothing. The merchants of Victoria should understand clearly what this neglect means to them. If the Teslin Lake route is properly handled by the provincial government, Victoria will undoubtedly become the winter headquarters of the thousands of miners, who will come out to avoid the

rigors of the Yukon climate. If the government persist in following their policy of do-nothingness, Victoria will be passed by, American cities will reap the benefits justly hers, and she will be most disastrously left. If the route is established as we have outlined, property will go up here with a bound next year, at least 50 per cent; better times than were experienced in the palmist days of the Cariboo boom will prevail. It all rests, unluckily, upon the provincial government; if they are true to their trust they will quit dilly-dallying and go ahead for once in their existence. If they do not move now in this matter, they will be responsible for the worst setback this province ever got and they will deserve to be hurled from office by a public sick and tired of their inabilities and laziness.

QUEBEC'S POSITION.

The citizens of Quebec have some cause to feel alarmed that the ancient glory of their city is departing never to return. The premier, on the occasion of his recent visit to the old city, was interviewed by a deputation of business men, many of these political supporters, who discussed from a Quebec standpoint the policy of the past and present governments in respect to the two rival cities on the St. Lawrence. The business men of Quebec are opposed to the extension of the Intercolonial Railway to Montreal and to the deepening of the St. Lawrence channel because they think the commerce of the West should be transhipped at their port and not be carried past their door. It is not surprising that the citizens of Quebec should feel their position keenly, although it will not excuse them for attempting to block a project, like the extension of the Intercolonial, which is of national importance. The position of Quebec, however, is worse than is generally supposed. The witness says:

"Five regular lines of ocean-going steamships pass towards and outwards from Montreal, but they do not make Quebec even a port of call, and the port is the terminal of no regular line of steamships. The amount of freight offered either from or to Quebec is so small that it does not offer any inducement, apparently, to any of the steamship companies to stop their vessels there to take on or put off freight. Quebec's exports have to be sent one hundred and eighty miles up to Montreal in order to be taken on board of vessels which within a few days will pass Quebec, and Quebec's imports are taken past that port the same distance, only to be shipped back. The steamship companies can afford to stop at Quebec only by making an extra charge upon the freight for the loss of time involved, amounting, it is said, on certain goods, to ten shillings a ton, or in some cases to forty-three per cent. This condition of things is all the more irritating to the people of Quebec because of the naturally fine position of that port, with its splendidly spacious deep-water harbor, at the head of the tide water."

We have to thank the Colonist for several hearty laughs we have lately enjoyed. Our contemporary is getting really funny, and a perusal of its columns is having quite a tonic effect upon our nerves and appetite; for is not laughter one of Nature's choicest medicines? Here is a nugget from its Sunday correspondence column, where we have found abundance before. The writer is discussing the "Equality of the Sexes," and he (we timidly presume 'tis a he) if not may the powers above keep us earth-ly, gives a list of women who have made themselves famous in literature, and says: "Jean Paul Richter, a German author, some of whose writings were translated into English by Carlyle. This is too much! Jean Paul Richter a frau! Ach, Himmel! One of the most masculine writers Germany ever produced! Very, very much a man, indeed; as anybody will learn who will read his fascinating pages. A German author! Doxner und blitzen gemacht!"

The New York World has issued a huge supplement devoted to a detailed description of Glasgow and its government, written up by a special commissioner, sent over for the purpose. The commissioner says of Glasgow's atmosphere: "Not even in London or Pittsburgh, before the era of natural gas, have mortal beings been compelled to live in such a combination of sulphurous smoke and sewer fog as constitutes the atmosphere of Glasgow." The man is telling the truth, and quotes copiously from the book on the city recently published by the late Lord Provost, Sir James Bell. Verily, anybody, who has smelt Glasgow and had a lungful of the Clyde's own midsummer bouquet after an Anchor or Altan liner has churned it up with her propeller need have no terrors for the hereafter should he take the left-hand side. They are unmatchable this side of "Clootie's dark Dominions."

Australia is being supplied with gatling and Maxim guns for her volunteer artillery, while Canada has to put up with antiquated pen-shooters that couldn't crack a sealing schooner's bowsprit at a mile. Why our artillery men here cannot get the use of these modern weapons is a mystery. If ever we get into argument with the Americans they will bring the latest instruments of war to convince us, while we will have only such pignons as were in vogue 'way back in General Jackson's time. It is not fair to Canada. We need those best guns; why can't we have them?

A big row is in progress among the

British Conservatives. Lord Londonderry, president of the Northern Union of Conservatives, who recently resigned owing to the passing of the Workmen's Compensation Bill, and who bitterly attacked Joseph Chamberlain for his radical views on home politics, has been at it again and there is a glorious ruction in the Tory camp. We are reminded of and comforted by the old saying that "when thieves fall out honest men come by their own." To it again, Tories, and annihilate your party; it will save the Liberals doing it next election.

Count Tolstoi, the only man who dares to talk and write manhood surfrage and remain on Russian soil, is to undergo a very serious surgical operation in a few days. He has suffered intensely for some time back, but has bravely continued his brain work, although he cannot follow his beloved plow in the fields or wield the sickle and the scythe as of yore. He has a new book in preparation and continues his multifarious contributions to magazines all over Europe and not a few in America.

The Countess of Warwick, better known as "Lady Bessie," who figured in the unsavory Tranby Croft baccarat scandal, has written the London papers denying that she is the authoress of a passionately religious book of verses just issued. All London is giggling over the idea of the Countess writing a religious book.

The startling fact is imputed to us by a man who knows that almost all the famous "Alaska" furs, the most highly prized in the world's markets, come from British Columbia. The Indians and trappers who range the vast territory from Cassiar to the Canadian Arctic take the pelts of black, silver, and blue foxes, grizzly, cinnamon and black bear; river otter and other splendid furs to Juneau, where they are shipped to the States; thence to London and American shops all the world. Even the provisions used by the poachers go in duty-free.

Rev. Principal Grant has been giving eastern university students some solid counsel respecting athletic sports. He thinks Canadian students need not feel themselves on a lower level than British students, who "do not permit profane swearing, betting or general blackguarding to have any part in their sports, and who sternly set their faces against professionalism in these sports."

THE IMPERIALISTS' HYMN.

To the Editor: With the Colonist's poetical but somewhat illogical suggestion that Richard Kipling's emotional verses entitled "Recessional" be taught to all school children, I cannot agree. When the Colonist compares this "hymn" to the utterances of the Hebrew prophets "and even of the Royal singer himself," whoever he may be, there have been so many "Royal Singers" and nearly all equally bad, I suspect the Colonist is aiming a covert shaft of satire at Kipling or his own public. If we apply the canons of literary criticism to that "hymn" we find one or two things in it which do not square with accepted ideas in such matters. For instance, note the inconsequence in the lines:

"Judge of the nations spare us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!"

How the destruction of a nation could quicken its memory is not clearly apparent. Then again, note this pure Cockney stroke: "An humble and a contrite heart." That is not a printer's error; it has been printed "an humble" everywhere; and only a Cockney poet could talk or write about "an humble" or "an home." As for the sentiment running through the verses, it may be quite as admirable as the frantic admissions of the Eurasian hymner assert, but to my thinking it is even more rabidly imperialistic than his regular empire-glorifying. The assumption that we are the peculiar people of God, and that God will specially look after the preservation of an empire which nobody can deny was founded by the sword and is maintained from year to year by the sword and which nobody will be hardly enough to dispute will perhaps perish by the same agency, is offensive. The Colonist talks glibly of building "an imperial fabric that will endure." Can the Colonist point to one "imperial fabric" since man's history began that has endured or that did not carry in its very being the elements of decay? I think there is too much of this blatant imperialistic delusion; and as for teaching school children the catechism of brag-godcock and the pharisaic rant that leads them to believe they are the salt of the earth and all other peoples dirt and inferior, the idea is preposterous and diametrically opposed to the teachings of all the sages and philosophers whose names we honor, and also to the teaching of Christ himself. The less said about our imperialism the better. I would recommend the Colonist to examine these matters a little more critically and judge whether it is not better to steer clear of bombastic glorifications of "ourselves" and try to see that other nations have a little bit of right to inhabit the same earth with the braying imperialists. The Colonist's sermon on the verses is not at all convincing except on two points: First, the impossibility of making the imperialistic crying or idea loud, reasonable or sensible to plain, peaceable people; second, the absurdity of proud conquerors, sword in hand, invoking the blessing of the Almighty upon themselves and their conquests. I am, etc., JOHN SMITH.

FLOODS IN ITALY.

The River Tormato Overflows and Does Great Damage.

Rome, Oct. 25.—The river Tormato, in central Italy, which flows into the Adriatic sea of Ancona, has overflowed, flooding the plain of Ancona. At Chiaravalle a bridge has been swept away and several persons drowned. At Forlì and near Mondella a house collapsed, burying nine persons in the ruins. Floods are reported in various other districts.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE RESULTS.

The results in the Victoria Golf Club's competition follow:

LADIES.	Handi- cap.	Re- sult.
1. Miss L. Harvey.....	12	57
2. Mrs. Purvis.....	10	58
3. Mrs. W. A. Ward.....	10	59
4. Mrs. Combe.....	50 plus 4	60
5. Mrs. W. Langley.....	50 plus 2	61
6. Miss Drake.....	62	61
7. Miss Winterson.....	76	61
8. Mrs. A. Martin.....	98	83

GENTLEMEN.

A Class.	Handi- cap.	Re- sult.
1. W. H. Langley.....	102	17
2. H. Combe.....	58	scratch
3. J. H. Scouline, C. J. Prior and R. H. T. Drake returned no scores.		
B Class.	Handi- cap.	Re- sult.
1. A. G. Smith.....	144	15
2. G. A. Kivrie.....	125	15
3. H. R. Beavon.....	140	19
G. H. Barnard and A. W. O'Brien returned no scores.		

THE WHEEL.

CENTURY ARROWS.

At the James Bay Athletic Association rooms on Saturday evening, Mrs. H. Dallas Heintzen presented the century arrows won during the season by Victoria's finest bowmen. The winners were: L. A. Campbell, holder of the Western Canadian record of 6,582.30, and the holder of three bars; Miss Agnes Deans Cameron, the first lady competitor in the West; A. J. Dallain, Roy Nevin, Thomas H. Johnston, H. Sullivan and T. F. Park. At Vancouver arrows were presented to C. F. Barker and E. B. Deane.

FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

A Junior Association league match was played at Beacon Hill on Sunday, the Columbia Juniors defeating the North Ward school by 2 goals to nil. Saanich defeated Cowichan by 8 goals to nil.

THE TURT.

A PART THREE-YEAR-OLD.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 25.—Searchlight, the three-year-old son of Dark Knight, has beaten the world's pacing record of 2:09 3/4 for three-year-olds, going the mile in 2:07 flat.

THE GOVERNOR'S ONLY WIFE.

Didn't Want Any Fuss Made About His Arrival.

Out in Minnesota they are celebrating the latest birthday of Alexander Ramsey, who was the first governor of the territory of Minnesota, and whose lifetime may be said to have spanned the entire history of the state that now has a million and a half of people. He is now 82 years old, and is still vigorous in mind and body. Illustrating his dislike to fuss and feathers, it is related of him that when he first visited the territory in his official capacity he refused to allow the military commandant to fire a salute in his honor. "Very well," said the commandant, "but let me call out the guard to receive you." "Don't do it," replied Ramsey. "I don't want any fuss made about my being here." "As you wish, governor," said the commandant, "but I want to do something to show a proper respect to the chief executive of this territory. Is there anything that you would suggest or desire?" "Yes," said Ramsey; "if you have a little good whiskey about the post I'll take a nip."

THERE WAS NO MORE TROUBLE.

Editor Labouchere's Luggage Was Quickly Put in Order.

Mr. Labouchere once arrived at the Prussian frontier station of Mielowitz, where the boundaries of Prussia, Austria and Russia meet. It was early in the '90s, when Bismarck's power had begun to make itself markedly felt. The custom-house officials were unkind, and tossed the luggage of Mr. Labouchere into a state of wild confusion. They found nothing dutiable, and the traveler at last told them that since they had made havoc of his things he would trouble them to change chaos into order. This they refused to do. Whereupon the annoyed tourist quietly said: "I am sorry at your refusal for I shall stay in this town until you reverse it. In fact, I shall take a house here." This cool stroke of defiance had no effect whatever, and presently Mr. Labouchere continued: "Will you kindly oblige me with a piece of paper?" This was granted, and the gentleman seated himself and wrote a telegram. It was addressed to Herr Minister-President von Bismarck, Berlin, and it ran thus: "If an sorry to say that I cannot dine with you to-morrow, as I am detained here for an indefinite period." This dispatch Mr. Labouchere handed to the head of the custom house department, courteously desiring that it should be forwarded. Presently there was no more trouble about his portmanteau, whose contents were most expeditiously replaced.

WOMAN WAS GREATLY PUZZLED.

She Tried to Faithfully Follow Out the Doctor's Directions.

An old woman, whose husband was ill in bed, sent for the doctor, who came and saw the old lady. "I will send you some medicine," he said on leaving, "which must be taken in a recumbent posture." After he had gone the old woman sat down, greatly puzzled. "The recumbent posture—a recumbent posture kept repeating 'it haven't got one.' At last she thought, 'I will go and see if old Mrs. Smith has got one to lend me.'"

AMERICAN IRON IN SCOTLAND.

The municipal corporation of Glasgow, desiring a large supply of gas pipes, received competitive bids, and as they found an American contractor no less than \$1 per ton under all other competition, including British, they properly let the work to the American—Chicago Chronicle.

THE Czar's VILLA AT NICE.

It is reported that the Czar has purchased 10 acres of ground near Nice and that he will build there a magnificent villa, intended principally for his mother, the Dowager Empress of Russia, and for his brother, the Czarévitch, but the Czar and Czarina will also visit the place annually.

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FAME'S PATHWAY.

Professor Valluri, the Latin scholar, left his whole fortune of \$400,000 to the Turin Academy of Sciences, to found prizes for the best works on physical science and on Latin literature.

White men made their first appearance in Hillsboro county, Florida, 300 years ago, but the first white child born within its borders has just died. This was "Uncle John Hartman," aged 92, and known all over the state.

Tennyson received \$30,000 for "The Holy Grail." During the last few years of his life Macmillan & Co. paid him \$50,000 to \$60,000 a year. For "The Revenge" alone the Nineteenth Century gave him \$1,000. Dickens left \$500,000; Lord Lytton, \$400,000; Mrs. Henry Wood, \$180,000; Mrs. Dinah Craik, \$85,000. Victor Hugo left property in England alone valued at \$457,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carnegie and a party of friends, including Rev. John Watson (son of MacLaren), have been cruising during the past month among the Hebrides, and Mr. Carnegie has been indulging in his favorite amusement of making valuable presentations to free libraries. On this occasion Stornoway library is the fortunate recipient, benefitting to the extent of \$5,000.

It is regarded as significant of the spread of sentiment in favor of municipal ownership that two of the leading lawyers, and citizens of New Jersey, Frank Bogert and William H. Corbin, of Elizabeth, have come out in support of the public construction of a projected trolley line from Elizabeth to Plainfield, a distance of 11 miles. They appear to be carrying the community with them also.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Tacoma's city council has fixed the tax levy at 10 mills.

The King county tax levy for 1897 has been fixed at 11 mills.

Two shingle mills are to be erected at Arlington, with a capacity of 100,000 shingles per day.

The Seattle board of education has fixed the tax levy for school purposes for the ensuing year at 24 mills.

It is stated at Great Falls, Mont., that the Great Falls & Canada railway will change to standard gauge in the spring. Blomer B. Carter, the Billings stock broker, has purchased in Ferns county, Montana, some 30,000 head of sheep, paying an average of about \$2 per head.

Lewis county commissioners have fixed the tax levy for this year at 15 mills for county purposes, 5 of which are for the bridge fund and 3 mills for the road fund. The total levy for state and county purposes is 21 mills.

Messrs. Hilger and Barnes of the land office at Livingston, Mont., report a great volume of business for September than for any month during their incumbency of office. There were 27 homestead entries made and 21 desert land entries, embracing 3,936 acres. The total cash receipts of the office were \$3,365.65.

The state has purchased two acres in the northwest quarter of section 14, township 8 north, as a site for the fish hatchery. It is on the south bank of the Chehalis river, about four miles above Montesano, and is admirably adapted for its purpose, having a good sized, ever flowing creek and a small, natural lake, all situated in a sheltered valley. Building operations are to be immediately commenced. The land was purchased for \$25 an acre.

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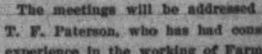
Farmers' Institutes

Public meetings will be held at the Public Hall, Metochia, on Thursday, the 26th instant, at 1 p.m., and at Parson's Bridge Hotel, on Friday, 27th instant, at 1 p.m., for the purpose of giving information as to the benefits which will accrue to agriculturists by availing themselves of the provisions of the Farmers' Institutes and Co-operation Act.

The meetings will be addressed by Mr. T. F. Paterson, who has had considerable experience in the working of Farmers' Institutes in Ontario.

J. R. ANDERSON,

Deputy Minister of Agriculture,
Acting Supt. of Farmers' Institutes,
Department of Agriculture,
Victoria, 25th Oct. 1897.



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Windsor Fire Relief Fund.

Notice is hereby given that subscriptions have been opened at the City Hall, Government Buildings, Supreme Court, Banks of B.C., B.N.A. and Montreal, the Customs House, the Province Office, the Public Schools, Times and Colliery offices, in aid of the sufferers from the recent fire in Windsor, Nova Scotia, where it is estimated 2,000 people have been rendered homeless, many of whom are entirely destitute. It is to be hoped a liberal response will be made to this appeal.

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—Ladies' Tailor made suits are made by men at George R. Jackson's.

—The St. Ann's Benevolent Society will hold their annual bazaar on November 1st.

—The annual masquerade ball of the Sons and Daughters of St. George will be held on Nov. 12.

—15 cent tea kettles, 15 cent dish pans and other cheap tinware at R. A. Brown & Co., 80 Douglas street.

—Upon his return from the north Mr. William Ogilvie will deliver a lecture on the Yukon country, a subject which he is thoroughly capable of handling.

—The "Barrington," late Major House, Vancouver, under management of H. R. Stratton.

—Tickets for the Jubilee Hospital Ball, which takes place on the 27th inst., can be had from any of the committee or at Challoner & Mitchell's and T. N. Hibben's.

—SCHLITZ, the beer that made Milwaukee famous, on draught, 5c. per glass, at the Bank Exchange, the coolest, cleanest, coolest and cheapest restaurant in the city.

—A splendid stock of sporting goods just received direct from the best factories in England and the United States, comprising shot guns, rifles, shooting coats, etc., at Henry Short & Son's, Gunsmiths, 72 Douglas street.

—On Saturday evening the first of the series of the popular concerts inaugurated by the Y.M.C.A. was held at the Association rooms. It was a success in every way, the audience being a large one and the programme very pleasing.

—The other day at a gathering at one of the experimental farms there was some spirited discussion about the value of newspapers. There was not a dissenting voice in the view that the "Family Herald and Weekly Star," Montreal, is the best all-around family newspaper in America, and it will hold its own with any in the world.

—In a private letter from A. A. Davidson, of Dior, Davidson & Russell, the Fairview mining operators, it is stated that the sale of shares in the Winchester Gold Mines Company closed on the 21st inst. The rapidity with which this stock has been disposed of is the most astonishing occurrence in the history of mining operations in this province. The sale of the Tin Horn stock was phenomenal, but all records have been broken by the remarkable demand for Winchester shares. "Applications for sixty thousand shares came in to-day," writes Mr. Davidson, "and there is five days' mail yet on the road."

—The pupils of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday school held their annual flower show on Saturday evening, prizes being awarded for the best plants. The following programme was rendered:

Pianoforte selections Mr. and Miss Burnett
Song Miss Frances Fraser
Reading Miss Emily Black
Pianoforte selection Miss Edith Hanford
Song Miss Spring
Reading Mr. McNeil
Song Miss King
Reading Miss Rose Robinson
Pianoforte selections Miss Jessie McLean
Reading Miss Jessie McLean
Violin selections Master Willie Fraser
Reading Miss Lawson
Violin selections Master Jas. Fawcett

—The brightest and best of all the Hoytian productions will be seen here at the Victoria Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday evenings, when that greatest of the recent successes, "A Trip to Chihuahua," will be presented. In the realm of farce comedy it is doubtful if the standard of this piece has been reached by any other author. Designed purely to amuse, it fulfills its mission to a greater degree than Mr. Hoyt himself probably imagined at the outset. If further evidence of its pleasing qualities were required, one has but to refer to its phenomenal run of more than 600 nights at Mr. Hoyt's beautiful theatre in Madison square, New York. Many innovations will be seen in the way of high class specialties and Frank Lane and his bright people

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—Ladies' tailor made wraps and costumes at George R. Jackson's.

—For something very nice in fancy and plain dress goods, trimmings and evening gloves, go to the Stirling, 88 Yates street.

—The first of a series of what parties at the Young Men's Liberal Club rooms during the winter months will be held to-morrow evening.

—Oh, what a headache! Come all ye sufferers of headaches and buy Kickapoo Indian Pills. They are a certain cure for constipation and chronic headaches. Sold by all druggists.

—The Knights of Pythias lodge will hold a series of social dances during the winter months, commencing on Thursday, Nov. 18th. As in the past a good time is assured to all who attend. Tickets will be on sale in a day or two, and only a limited number will be issued.

—As the Willapa did not go as far as Quetzaco this trip she brings no news of the murder mystery at that point. While at Kyquost Capt. Foot learned that Provincial Constable Seeley had chartered a sloop and left there several days prior to their arrival to arrest Lucy and Daisy, the two Indians who are supposed to have murdered the missing Neely.

—An application was made to Mr. Justice Drake in supreme court chambers to-day to dismiss an abuse of the process of the courts the action brought by Ruckle Bros. against E. M. Johnson and Miss Davey, attacking a crown grant of 65 acres of land on Ketchikan river, near Grand Forks, which the plaintiffs claim was included in their pre-emption. The matter was taken under advisement.

—Probably the handsomest costume that has been seen here for many a day will be worn by Adelaide Herrmann this evening at the Victoria theatre in her performance of Trilby. This costume is hand embroidered and a work of art. It is handsomely decorated with jewels in floral designs. Besides this handsome gown Mrs. Herrmann will wear a grand collection of diamonds, etc., which she has collected during her travels in many strange lands.

—William Ogilvie, F.R.G.S., has promised to deliver a lecture in Victoria when he returns from Skagway, to which point he accompanied the Hon. Clifford Sifton upon his recent trip north. The subject will be the Yukon country and its prolific gold fields now being actively exploited. Mr. Ogilvie's experience during the past ten years in that country should prove both valuable and interesting to all those who are desirous of hearing the latest reliable news from Klondike.

—Among the passengers who came down from the West Coast on the Willapa yesterday was McQuinn, chief of the Mawitchat Indians of Nootka. He has a badly dislocated wrist, and after trying all kinds of swish doctoring, he has come down to have it set by a Victoria doctor. McQuinn since his arrival has been cutting quite a dash, and is no small object of admiration among the local swashes, for he is attired in a captain's uniform with its full complement of brass buttons and gold braid. This uniform was given to McQuinn by Sir James Douglas.

—Some of the men of the R.M.A. went out to Parson's Bridge Hotel yesterday and indulged very freely in liquor. While under the influence one of them went into the highwayman business, and in consequence he is now languishing in the lock-up at the provincial police station. The embryo highwayman, Sapper Edward Jenkins, was mounted, and when Mr. and Mrs. Gettle, who were returning from Sooke, came along he flourished a pistol and ordered Mr. Gettle to get out of the buggy and fix the stirrups. As soon as Gettle got over his scare he immediately informed the provincial police, who promptly arrested the accused rascal at the Work Point barracks. He will be brought before Magistrate Macrae in the provincial police court at four o'clock this afternoon.

—Joseph Williams, the safe cracker, has already been committed for trial on three charges and the police are not yet half through with him. The charges on which he has been committed are stealing 720 pounds of pig iron from Turner, Becton & Co.'s wharf; stealing a lot of lead pipe from Porter's cabins and breaking and entering Morrison's blacksmith shop and stealing a miner's pick, a brace and a chisel. In all these cases, Frank Lynn, the boy who accompanied Williams in many of his "jobs," gave direct evidence against the prisoner. This afternoon the charge of breaking and entering Porter's butcher shop and attempting to blow the safe, is being heard. The police have pretty strong circumstantial evidence to prove that Williams is the guilty party. Witnesses told of seeing him powder and fuse, a tube used in blowing the powder in and other articles used by safe crackers.

—The death is reported from Esquimalt of Pte. W. H. Pickett, one of the soldiers of that station. The deceased, who was a private in the island magazine guard, was found dead in his host, with a gun shot wound in his side, whether inflicted by his own hand or as the result of an accident is a question which none of his fellow soldiers or the officers of the station can answer. Pickett was away from Magazine island on a duck shooting expedition. The body was removed yesterday afternoon to the Naval Hospital at Esquimalt and Dr. Bell, the chief surgeon of the hospital, notified the provincial police and the coroner. The report to the provincial police was a very brief one, it not even mentioning the deceased soldier's name. Coroner Crompton went to Esquimalt this afternoon to hold an inquest. Pickett's friends refuse to believe that he committed suicide, he always having been a jovial, good-natured fellow.

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THE BUSY WHARVES

The Steamer Olympia Arrives from the Orient—Willapa Back From West Coast.

The Sealing Fleet All Back—The Boscowitz Will Make but One Trip Each Month.

When the steamer Evangel was on her way to Victoria on Saturday evening she picked up a capsize sloop, which was taken in tow and brought to this city. When she was righted and baled out it was found that her jib was gone and her oars were missing. A seine net was found in her in good condition, showing her to have been a fishing sloop. The Evangel's officers are of the opinion that the occupants had lost their lives during the heavy gales which prevailed during last week. How many there were and who they were, or how the accident which turned her keel up occurred, are questions which as yet will have to remain unanswered. Yesterday Captain Mann made enquiries among the fishermen and all along the waterfront, but as no one could identify the sloop, and being satisfied that she did not belong to Victoria, he took her back to Port Angeles when the Evangel sailed.

The sealing schooner Pioneer, Capt. Baker, returned from the Copper Islands yesterday afternoon, having made the voyage from the islands in 21 days. She has 270 skins to show for her cruise at the islands, which, with her coast catch of 600-odd, total up to about 900 skins. The Pioneer did not go to the Japan coast, she going direct to the Copper Islands at the conclusion of her coast cruise. The schooner Sadie Turpel, Capt. Crane, from Behring sea, and the General, Capt. O'Leary, from the Copper Islands, were at Headport on their way homeward when the Willapa left that port on Saturday, and in all probability they will arrive here to-morrow. The Sadie Turpel will also have about 900 for her season's work. She has about 250 for her Behring sea cruise. With the return of these schooners all the Victoria fleet will have returned.

The Northern Pacific liner Olympia arrived at the quarantine station about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and after spending about three hours at William Head in order that her Chinese and Japanese passengers might be bathed and their effects fumigated, she came in to the outer wharf. She landed about 20 Chinese and Japanese passengers here and about 250 tons of general Chinese and Japanese freight. She had but six saloon passengers, Baron de Winton and W. McLean, of Yokohama; H. B. Williams, of Flood & Co., of Kobe and San Francisco; J. Sinclair and two others. She continued her voyage to Tacoma at 7:30 this morning.

The steamer Boscowitz will sail for northern British Columbia points on Monday, October 1st. She will hereafter make but one trip per month during the winter months. The captain of the Boscowitz denies that his vessel is responsible for any damage done to Mackay's wharf at Stevenson. If any damage was done at all it was done by the line of the Tekoa, which was fastened to that wharf. That line may have shifted a pile during the storm, but could not have done damage to the amount of \$300 as claimed by the owner of the wharf.

The steamer Willapa returned yesterday afternoon from the West Coast, bringing her usual complement of prospectors, traders, Chinamen and bladders, to say nothing of a number of sealing captains who went up the coast to pay off their Indian crews. She was slightly overdue, having been delayed by heavy storms which were prevailing on the coast. The Willapa left for the Fraser this morning to bring a cargo of salmon for the German bark Seestern.

News comes from Port Townsend that the reason why the British ship Guardian, Capt. Marten, put back to that port was to have her rudder head repaired. She had just commenced her voyage to Santa Rosalia after being towed to sea by the tug Lorne when her rudder head was broken. The Guardian is laden with 172,188 feet of mining props from North Spanish.

The steamer Mande arrived down from Nanaimo early yesterday morning. She was long overdue, having been delayed on account of the heavy winds. She left again this morning for Texada, via Nanaimo.

The steamer Thistle returned yesterday evening from Union, where she took a cargo of rails from Seattle for the E. & N. Railway Company.

The Alert and Lotie returned from Nanaimo this morning.

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The Herrmanns are giving this year perhaps the most interesting performance of magic, mirch and mystery that has ever before made a tour of the country. The company is known as the Herrmann the Great Company, and judging by the wonderful enthusiasm with which they have been received in every city visited, the title of "great" is very appropriate. They carry two carloads of gorgeous scenery and twenty people, and are headed by Leon Herrmann, the nephew and successor to Herrmann the Great, and Adelaide Herrmann, the talented and handsome widow of that great magician. The new Herrmann will make his first appearance here to-night. He has leaped into popular favor as a magician in this country in an incredibly short space of time, although he has been a star in Europe and South America for the past twelve years. Herrmann the Great selected him some years prior to his death as his successor. When Leon appeared in Chicago and Kansas City a short time ago he created a furor, and at once established the fact that he possessed talents that make him the greatest necromancer now living. His illusions are marvellous, startling and sensational. He amuses his audiences while performing his tricks with a running fire of badinage and witticisms.

The public needs no introduction to Adelaide Herrmann. For many years she was the constant companion and assistant to her husband, and her name is as familiar to theatre goers as his. Mme. Herrmann will appear in the brilliant and dazzling dances that have delighted and astonished audiences in every part of the world. These spectacular dances are the most elaborate and bewilderingly fascinating that have ever been seen on any stage. Mme. Herrmann has added to her repertoire a new dance invented by herself during the past summer which has caused a genuine sensation. It is the "fire dance," and to the audience it seems that Mme. Herrmann is in the centre of actual flame and smoke, so realistic is the imitation of fire produced by the wonderful lights used and the mass of gauze in which she is clothed.

TWO MINERS KILLED.

Explosion of Dynamite in the Alberni Consolidated Causes Two Deaths.

The steamer Willapa, which returned yesterday afternoon from the west coast, brings news of a serious accident at the Golden Eagle mine, 17 miles from Alberni, as a result of which three men were seriously injured, two of it is said, lying at the point of death. The three wounded men, Wm. Sarreault, a son of "Mike" Sarreault, proprietor of the Alberni Hotel, and two miners named Clarke and Dickenson, were thawing out some giant powder in the mine shaft, when the powder suddenly exploded. The shaft was filled with smoke, and when it cleared the other miners at once rushed there and found the three unfortunate men lying there, groaning from the severe pain of their many wounds. Sarreault had his arm, shoulder, blown off, besides being severely wounded about the body, and the other two have a number of wounds on the head, arms, face and body.

The news was brought to Alberni by Walter Miles, the discoverer and locator of the Government street claim. He said that Clarke and Dickenson were not expected to live till his return with medical aid. The two doctors resident at Alberni at once hurried to the scene of the accident with him.

Later—a special to the Times from Nanaimo this afternoon states that the coroner had been telegraphed for to go to Alberni, Clarke and Dickenson having died of their wounds.

Supt. Hussey, of the provincial police, yesterday received a telegram from Chemainus asking him to arrest Joe and Jack Sylvia and Harry Martin, a Chinaman, who, in company with an Indian woman, left that port in a Columbia river boat to escape from the police there. Martin was wanted for stabbing a man with whom he had quarrelled and the Sylvia brothers for supplying liquor to Indians. A man resembling Martin was arrested yesterday by the local police, but it was a case of mistaken identity, for news was received soon after the arrest was made that the trio had been arrested at Chemainus. The man arrested here was accordingly released.

—You would do well to see Welles Bros' stock of table linens, napkins, towels, etc. They have a complete stock in that line.

—Rev. J. B. Haslam officiated at the funeral of George Pottle, infant son of Mr. Pottle, of Fernwood road, to-day at 3 p.m.

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PERSONAL.

Capt. H. H. Lloyd, of Seattle, is a guest at the Oriental.

J. A. J. McKenna returned last evening from Vancouver.

Max Lester and R. S. Ryan returned from Vancouver last evening.

John Hendry, wife and daughter, of Vancouver, are at the Driford.

Allan Cameron, of the C. P. R., Vancouver, is a guest at the Driford.

The leading members of the Herrmann the Great Company are at the Driford.

J. B. Charlton, supervisor of public works for the Dominion government, is at the Driford.

R. Hall, Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Kinsman and Miss Kinsman returned from the Sound this morning.

M. J. Haney, superintendent of construction on the Crow's Nest Pass railway, is at the Driford.

J. A. Marks, ex-M.P., Mr. F. S. Barnard and Miss G. Loewen arrived from Kamloops on Saturday evening.

W. R. Robinson and wife, Henry Darwin and other members of the Herrmann Co. are registered at the Queen's.

James McKay, Albert Deuling, Thomas Moore and J. T. Lenaghan arrived from Dyes on the City of Seattle this morning, and are registered at the Queen's.

Harry Abbott and wife, and their daughter, Mrs. Plunkett, of Vancouver, are in the city, and will remain several days or until Hamilton Abbott, who is about to undergo an operation at the Jubilee hospital, is on the road to recovery.

Sir Charles Tupper, ex-premier of the Dominion and present leader of the opposition in the House of Commons, is a guest at Government House, having arrived from the Mainland last evening. He has been looking after his mining interests in Kootenay, and is here in connection with his Yukon project.

BIRTH.
HIDDEN—On Friday, the 22nd inst., at 22 Carr street, the wife of T. N. Hidden of a son.

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6 roomed house, Randall St., \$8.
6 roomed house, 128 Chatham St., \$10.
5 roomed house, Jessie St., \$5.
5 roomed house, Dallas Road.
7 roomed house, Oak Bay Ave., \$8.
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OCTOBER.

When come October days,
The gray solemnity of autumn leads;
The sadness of a tale that ends;
The dove's call is the softer for the time;
That hints of old regrets and heart's lone;
The croaker's piping rises like the song;
That sounds from some retreating fairy
through;

Across the hills there hangs an aure haze,
As some vast web in prehistoric days;
And echo answers all sounds readily;
As though the world, too, heaves a sob and
sigh.

When come October days,
The nuts drop to the splashing pools where
float—
Napoleons of their spheres—the minnows
out;
The wagons in the orchards go and come,
Where children's voices are low to a hum;
The flocks of sun and shadow like scales
Upon the road that crawls on through the
vales;

The leaves fall—hiding deeper from our
view
The forms and faces of the ones we knew;
And we reflect we're nearer to the dust,
When hearts shall feel no chill of the
time.

THE SELF-MADE MAN.

An Address On This Subject By Ex-
President Cleveland.

Princeton, N.J., Oct. 22.—At the one
hundred and fifty-first birthday of
Princeton University celebration proceed-
ings here to-day Grover Cleveland read
an address on "The Self-Made Man."
He said in part:

"The merit of the successful man who
has struggled with difficulties and disad-
vantages must be judged by the kind of
success he has achieved, but the use he
makes of it, and by its effect upon his
character and life. If his success is clean
and wholesome, if he uses it to make his
fellows better and happier, and if he
faithfully responds to all the obligations
of a liberal, public-spirited and useful
citizen, his struggles could add immen-
sely to the honor and consideration he
deserves. If, on the other hand, his suc-
cess is of the grasping, sordid kind, if
he clutches it closely for his selfish grati-
fication, and if with success he is bank-
rupt in character, morally mean, useless
as a citizen or of evil influence, his suc-
cess should not save him from contempt.
Wealth should be by no means disparag-
ed as representing success, provided it is
accompanied by a reasonable realization of
the obligations it imposes. We cannot
expect to fix the extent of these obli-
gations, but we are entitled to insist
that in the race for riches the feeling
and sentiment that makes good citizen-
ship should not be stifled, and that the
rich, directly by charity and beneficence
or indirectly through their liberal car-
terpene and active thrift, should do some-
thing for humanity and the public good.
If wealth is the best that can be ex-
hibited as a result of success, it ought
to make its fair contribution to the wel-
fare of society. This burden should not
be altogether shifted upon those who,
though without riches, are nobly giving
from the results of the nobler success,
gifts that exalt humanity. We have
a right to complain of the rich if, after
spending their lives in gathering wealth,
they find in its possession no mandate of
duty and no pleasure save in the inactive
and sordid contemplation of their hoard."

In referring to one particular con-
dition of American life which sadly needs
the active and persistent interposition
of a well constructed and well preserved
self-made man, he said:

"Evidence is constantly accumulating
that at no point can he do more vitally
useful work than in the field of politics.
The fact that this word, signifying the
science of government and the adminis-
tration of public affairs, is associated in
the common mind with a term which im-
plies sharp manipulations and shrewd
how badly it has been soiled with all
ignoble use, while the contempt with
which self-seeking candidacy and party
subserviency even in a canvass now
pending, speaks of disinterested citizens
who are organized to secure good gov-
ernment as a modern school of doctrin-
ary illustration how confidently arrogant
partisanship dares to insult thoughtful
and intelligent citizenship. Since our
hope of the perpetual endurance of our
government as the source of priceless
benefit to the American people and as
proof of man's right and fitness to govern
himself must rest upon the people's in-
telligence and patriotism, those should be
carefully protected against malign agen-
cies, which continually attempt to under-
mine them, and should be constantly
supported and reinforced by the thought-
ful, educated men of the land."

"Already a dangerous advantage
has been gained by the force of recklessness
and selfishness, largely through the in-
difference of those who should have chal-
lenged their first advance, and now when
partisanship assumes to lead the hosts
without reason seem wild to follow, and
when party organization, which should be
the servant of intelligence and patriot-
ism, proclaims itself their master and at-
tempts to bind them hand and foot, the
time has surely come when the intelli-
gence and education of our land should
hear a call to duty. To say nothing
of actual danger to our institutions, all
must see that we cannot gain these most
beneficial results if the best intelligence
and the most disinterested patriotism
among our people either refuse to enter
the field of politics or allow themselves
to be driven from it. I am not con-
demning party allegiance founded on rea-
son and judgment. Party men we may
all well be, but only with the reservation
that thoughtful and patriotic citizens we
must not be. In our public life we may be
sure that as a general rule our servants
and agents will be nobler than the people
who create them. They may be infinitely
worse through the people's neglect or be-
trayal. Therefore, no true American
should be willing to surrender the inter-
ests involved in his citizenship nor the
pride which every good man has in the
maintenance before the world of the
high character of this government by in-
action or a careless indication of his
choice for those to be intrusted with na-
tional affairs."

"If the popular will in this regard
should be cooled by the intelligence and
patriotism of our countrymen, and if they
should be alert and exacting in the en-
forcement of their will, the danger of
misgovernment and of a misrepresenta-
tion of our national character would pass
away. A just people, willing to concede
equal rights and privileges to every
citizen, would enforce justice in their
government; a frugal and economic peo-
ple would commend frugality and

economy in public administration; a peo-
ple who valued integrity and morality
would exact them in high places; a peo-
ple who held sacred the honor of their
country would insist upon its scrupulous
protection and defense, and a people
who love peace would not again suffer
the humiliation of seeing dashed from
their proud grasp the almost ripened hope
of leadership among the nations of the
earth, in the high mission of driving out
the cruel barbarities of war by the peace-
ful methods of arbitration."

"Happy is the land where examples of
heroism and wise statesmanship abound,
but happier is the land where the people
rule and fortunate above all those peo-
ple when their government is controlled,
watched and defended by the virtue, pa-
triotism and intelligence of millions of
truly self-made men."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Other people's troubles always bore us
more than our own.

There is very little waist material in
a fashionable ball dress.

Bachelors are women's rights and
widowers are women's lefts.

It is usually the theatrical orchestra
that drives men to drink—between the
acts.

A self-made man who will deliberately
walk between a woman and a miller's
wind.

Recycling may not be detrimental, but
it seldom sees a rider that is perfectly
straight.

One of the most disgusting sights in
the world is another fellow on a tandem
with your best girl.

The small boy never worries half as
much about where the shoe pinches as
where the slipper stings.

It is always well to obtain what one
desires, but it is better to desire only
what one can readily obtain.

A STRANGE BIRD.

The Stately Bustard is Gradually Be-
coming Extinct.

The bustard has become extinct in
Great Britain and cannot be found in
America. It is true there is a so-called
bustard in British America, but it is
really the Canadian goose. Spain and
Africa are the chief strongholds of the
family, many well-marked species be-
ing found in these countries. India, too,
has at least three distinct species, Aus-
tralia possesses at least one large spec-
ies.

It was thought at one time that the
bustard was nearly allied to the ostrich,
but that is a mistaken view. He would
seem to be more nearly related to the
cranes in one direction and the plovers
in another.

A male bustard measures from the tip
of its bill to the end of its tail four
feet or thereabouts and its wings have
an expanse of eight feet or more—double
the length. If put on the scales it
would weigh from twenty-two to thirty-
two pounds, according to age. The female
bird is smaller. There is nothing
ridiculous about the appearance of the
bustard, although when compared with
other birds frequenting open places its
legs are very short. Indeed, it is quite
a stately creature, and when on the wing
almost as majestic as the eagle.

The bustard's bill appears longer than
it really is on account of the fatness
of the head. The neck of the male is
thick, particularly in certain seasons,
and at such times he carries his tail in
an upright position, turning it frequen-
tly forward, twisting his head and neck
along his back in a most curious man-
ner. It is then, too, he drops his wings
and erects their shorter feathers. The
appearance is most strange—for tail,
head and neck are almost buried amid
the upstanding feathers, and the breast
is protruded oddly.

A REWARD FOR MERIT.

There are but few people who stop to
think or consider by whom or how medi-
cines are made. A very large majority
of the preparations that are placed on
the market are made by incompetent
men, hence they prove of no value, and
in many instances prove injurious. The
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dian, Sagwa, cures stomach, liver and
kidney troubles when all other remedies
fail. Sold by all druggists.

ODD FACTS.

Dr. Crede of Dresden says that he has
discovered a great antiseptic for treating
wounds in soluble metallic silver.

Wild passenger pigeons, which once were
so plentiful all over the United States that
at their time of migration they were
slain by tens of thousands, now are
so rare that a flock of less than a hundred
excited comment in a fairly wild country
in Nebraska.

Projectiles used by the United States
army for its great modern gun cost as fol-
lows: Solid shot, 8-inch, \$69.50 each; 10-
inch, \$144.50 each; 12-inch, \$212 each; 12-
inch mortar shells, weighing 800 pounds,
\$114 each; 12-inch mortar shells, weighing
1,000 pounds, \$195 each.

Dr. I. B. Van Herson, of Leyden, has per-
formed fifty-one operations of laparotomy
without giving the patients ether or making
them otherwise unconscious. He has found
that injections of 1 per cent. solution of
cocaine into the abdominal wall made even
these serious operations practically pain-
less.

The frescoes in the Houses of Parliament,
London, have been decaying noticeably
late. Experts say that this is due to the
use of plaster which was prepared from
limestone from Durham Downs, near Bris-
tol, which is one of marine origin. The
marine salt, which still remains in the lime-
stone, is blamed for the decay of the
pictures.

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were suffering with croup when we re-
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A BY-LAW

To Authorize the Sale of Lands
Within the City of Victoria
Upon Which Taxes Have Been
Due and in Arrears for Two
Years.

Whereas, it is expedient that all lands or
improvements or real property within the
limits of the Corporation of the City of
Victoria upon which Municipal taxes have
been due and in arrears for two years, shall
be sold, and the proceeds applied in the re-
duction of such taxes:

Therefore the Municipal Council of the
Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts
as follows:

1. The Collector of the Municipal Council
of the Corporation of the City of Victoria
is hereby authorized and directed when-
ever taxes on any land, or improvements or
real property have been due for two years
preceding the current year, to submit to
the Mayor of the City of Victoria a list (in
duplicate) of all the lands or improvements

or real property liable under the provisions
of this by-law to be sold for taxes, with
the amount of arrears against each lot set
opposite to the same, and the Mayor shall
authenticate such list by affixing thereto
the seal of the Corporation and his signature,
and one of such lists shall be deposited
with the Clerk of the Corporation, and the
other shall be returned to the Collector
with a warrant thereto annexed, under the
hand of the Mayor and the seal of the Cor-
poration, commanding him to levy upon the
land or improvements or real property for
the arrears due thereon with his costs.

2. It shall not be the duty of the Collector
to make inquiry before effecting a sale of
lands or improvements or real property for
taxes, to ascertain whether or not there is
any distress upon the land, nor shall he be
bound to inquire into or form any opinion
of the value of the land or improvements
or real property.

3. The Collector shall prepare a copy of
the list of lands or improvements or real
property to be sold and shall include there-
in in separate columns a statement of the
proportional amount chargeable on each
lot for (1) the amount of taxes unpaid up
to the date of the passing of this by-law;
(2) the Collector's commission, authorized
by this by-law to be paid him and the cost
of advertising and contingent expenses of
sale, and (3) the total amount of taxes and
costs for which the property is liable to be
sold; and shall cause a copy of such list
to be printed for a period of one month
preceding the date of such intended sale
in two daily newspapers published in the
City of Victoria.

4. The advertisement shall contain a noti-
fication that unless the arrears and costs
are sooner paid he will proceed to sell the
lands or improvements or real property for
the taxes, on a day, at a time, and at a
place named in the advertisement.

5. The Collector shall, at least one month
before the day of sale, serve, or cause to
be served, a notice of the intended sale and
of the consequences thereof, in writing, or
partly in print and partly in writing, signed
by the Collector, on the person, or if
more than one, then on each of the persons
who at the time of the service thereof ap-
peared on the Register of the City of Vic-
toria as owner and also on all persons
having a registered charge on the real prop-
erty to be sold; or substituted service shall
be effected in such manner as any
Judge of the Supreme Court may direct.

The Collector shall also, at least one month
before the day of sale, post a notice simi-
lar to the said advertisement at the prin-
cipal entrance to the City Hall, Victoria,
and in the Post Office building, Victoria.

6. The day of sale shall be a day to be
named by the Collector in the said ad-
vertisement not earlier than thirty-one days
nor later than three months after the first
publication in two daily newspapers of
such list, exclusive of the day of such pub-
lication, and such sale shall take place at
the Council Chambers in the City Hall, in
the City of Victoria, and shall begin at 12
o'clock noon: Provided always, that if the
Collector shall from any cause whatever be
unable to effect service of any notice of
sale, in the manner herein directed or to
effect substituted service as directed by
any such Judge, he may postpone the sale
of the property or parcel of land in respect
of which he is so unable to effect such ser-
vice, from time to time, and shall give
notice of such adjourned sale by advertise-
ment in the newspapers in which the origi-
nal notice was advertised, or he may with-
draw the said property or parcel of land
from the sale, and in either case shall pro-
ceed with the sale of the remaining lands
or improvements or real property in the
manner herein directed.

7. If at any time appointed for the sale
of the lands or improvements or real prop-
erty no bidder appears, the Collector may
adjourn the sale from time to time.

8. If the taxes have not been previously
collected, or if no one appears to pay the
same at the time and place appointed for
the sale, the Collector shall sell at public
auction so much of the lands or improve-
ments or real property as may be sufficient
to discharge the taxes and all lawful charges
incurred in and about the sale and the col-
lection of the taxes, selling in preference
such part as he may consider best for the
owner, to sell first, and in offering such
lands or improvements or real property for
sale it shall not be necessary to describe
particularly the portion of the lot or sec-
tion which shall be sold, but it will be
sufficient to say that he will sell so much
of the lot or section as shall be necessary
to secure the payment of the taxes due, and
the amount of taxes stated in the adver-
tisement shall in all cases be prima facie
evidence of the correct amount due.

9. If the Collector fails at such sale, or
any adjournment thereof, to sell any such
land or improvements or real property for
the full amount of arrears of the taxes
due, he shall at such sale or adjournment
thereof adjourn the sale until a day to be
publicly named by him not earlier than one
week nor later than three months there-
after, of which adjourned sale he shall
give notice by advertisement in the news-
papers in which the original notice was ad-
vertised, and on such day he shall sell such
lands or improvements or real property pre-
viously offered for sale for any sum he can

realize: Provided that in event of the
price offered for any property or parcel of
land at such adjourned sale being less than
the amount of arrears of taxes due in re-
spect of such property or parcel of land,
the Collector shall have power, if he thinks
fit so to do, to purchase such property or
parcel of land in the name of and on behalf
of the said Corporation.

10. If the purchaser of any property or
parcel of land fails immediately to pay the
Collector the amount of the purchase money
the Collector shall forthwith again put up
the property for sale.

11. Immediately after every sale the Col-
lector shall return a list of the arrears
entitled by such sale to the Clerk of the
Corporation and shall at the same time pay
in the proceeds to the Treasurer of the
said Corporation.

12. The Collector shall be entitled to five
per centum commission upon the sums col-
lected by him as aforesaid.

13. This by-law may be cited for all pur-
poses as "The Victoria Real Property Tax
Sale By-law, 1897."

Passed the Municipal Council the 20th
day of September, 1897.
Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed
the Council this 21st day of September,
A.D. 1897.
(L.S.)
C. R. REDFERN, Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

NOTICE.
The above is a true copy of a by-law
passed by the Municipal Council of the City
of Victoria on the 27th day of September,
A.D. 1897, and all persons are hereby re-
quired to take notice that anyone desirous
of applying to have such by-law, or any
part thereof, quashed, must make his ap-
plication for that purpose to the Supreme
Court within one month next after the pub-
lication of this by-law in the British Col-
umbia Gazette, or he will be too late to
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A Couple of Hundred Passengers Arrive on the Seattle and Farallon.

Miners From Dawson Have a Hard Time Coming Over the Dalton Trail.

Several Days Without Food, With the Exception of Owl and Rawhide Soup.

Some Say the Reports of a Shortage of Provisions Are Exaggerated.

Administrator's Party Lost a Large Proportion of Their Pack Animals.

On the steamer Farallon, which arrived from Skagway early yesterday morning, were thirty miners who had come out from Dawson owing to the famine, and a large number of would-be miners and packers and others returning from Dyea, Skagway and Wrangell. The miners who came from Dawson were divided into three parties, the last to leave Dawson being a party of three, Charles Fries, Butt Woods and Archie Burns, who left the Klondike metropolis on September 14th. They poled up the Yukon to the Five-Finger rapids in thirteen days, and, securing horses there, they pushed on over the Dalton trail, reaching Haines' Mission, on Lynn canal, in 21 days. While on their way out they experienced a heavy snow storm, which lasted several days and covered the trail with nearly two feet of snow. During this snow storm four out of the six horses they secured at Five-Fingers were lost, and had it not been for a "chubhook" wind which thawed the snow they would have lost all their animals.

Soon after leaving Five-Fingers on the way outward the Fries party fell in with a party headed by Ray Stewart, of New York, who left Dawson six days prior to the Fries party, and soon after passing Dalton's post they caught up with a party of six, composed of John Frey, T. L. and J. Tripp, C. Holden, J. O'Donnell and an Indian guide named Sewarka, after the explorer of that name. This party had an awful experience on the way out. After leaving Five-Fingers they ran short of food, and for five days all were without food, save an owl, which was shot, and some soup made from a raw hide strap which they were using to pack their goods. They scraped off the fur and chopped it up into pieces and made soup, which they divided sparingly amongst the party. When this party started out they had thirty pounds of food to the man, but lost their way in the snow, and, notwithstanding the fact that the food was melted out in very short order, it soon gave out. One of the men went snow blind, and shortly before arriving at Dalton's post two of the party sank down in the snow from exhaustion, and it was only with difficulty that their companions, who still retained some strength, forced them on. Soon after this they arrived at an Indian camp, where they secured a quantity of dog salmon, which kept them alive until they arrived at Dalton's post, where food was obtained for the rest of the journey. And in spite of all this each member of the party announces his intention of returning to the gold fields in the spring.

The party tell the same old story of a shortage of provisions at Dawson. The price of flour is \$12 a hundred, and bacon 40 cents a pound, but it is only sold in small quantities. A claim owner went to one of the companies' stores and packed down \$13,000 in gold dust to buy provisions for himself and his men. The gold was pushed back to him and he was told that all he could buy was a month's provisions. News has been received from down the river that there was no hope of any steamers reaching Dawson before spring, and, naturally, this caused many men to make a start to get out of the country. Some will attempt to get down the river, expecting to obtain provisions at Circle City or Fort Yukon, but the majority will attempt the trip over the trails. That many will perish in the attempt seems a foregone conclusion, for the companies will sell them barely enough food for the trip and if they are delayed they must run short, and delays on winter trips are almost inevitable, especially on the Dalton trail, which is entirely obliterated after a heavy snow fall.

At the far end of the Dalton trail several bands of cattle are supposed to be. Mr. Cameron's, of Victoria, were met, having after all been taken through successfully. Large scows had been built

and the owners intended to kill the cattle and take the meat through to Dawson. This will, to a large extent, relieve the conditions there.

A large number of boats were met making their way down the river. All the parties seemed to be well-provided with provisions, some of them having a year's supply. They, of course, will divide up with the men whose larders are entirely empty and this again will help to tide over the winter. A few wrecked boats were seen, but it could not be ascertained whether the occupants had been drowned or whether they had broken away when being run through the rapids. Mr. Sullivan, the Yukon trader, was met with down the river, having successfully run all the rapids.

One member of the party spoke of a "dreadful plague" that had broken out among the miners at Dawson and was carrying them off quicker than cholera, but if such a plague existed the other members of the party had not heard of it.

There were a number of Victorians among the passengers who came down on the Farallon, including Messrs. Grant and Dalby, who did the packing for the Mounted Police; L. Arthur, who has been building boats at Lake Bennett; F. Turner, L. Hubbert, J. Hubbert, J. Hubbert, Messrs. McInnes and others, who have been engaged in business or working at Skagway and along the trail.

Mr. Dalby says there are now nearly 2,000 men at Skagway and along the trail. All of those who got through to the lakes, about 1,500 for both trails, have started down the river, so there is no winter camp on the lake shores, as had been anticipated. There is, however, quite a camp at the Meadows, just the side of Lake Tagish, the inhabitants of which hope to make their way to Dawson over the ice; in fact, this is the intention of all the men on the trail, and they are doing their best to get their goods over as the ice forms. With the exception of the Hubbert party, who have their goods cached near The Ford, and intend to go down on the ice, Mr. Hubbert having come down to buy dogs, all the Victorians have started down the river and have good prospects of reaching Dawson this winter. The other Victorians who have been engaged in packing and other business at Skagway and Dyea and along the trails have also done well.

Mr. Dalby advises those going in next spring to keep away from Skagway. The Stickeen-Teslin lake route is, he considers, by far the best one. They succeeded in taking over all the goods they contracted to pack for the Mounted Police, but they had an awful time doing it, losing fourteen out of their train of fifty-four horses. After they had completed their contract they sold the rest of the animals. Mr. Anton Henderson lost every one of his twenty-eight horses.

Hon. Clifford Sifton made the trip over the Dyea trail to Lake Tagish and intended to return by the Skagway trail. Upon his return he would report on the best route for the administrator and his party to take. The party, however, were not losing any time, a pack train of 25 horses and a number of oxen having started over the Skagway trail with the party's outfit. Just before the Seattle left a report reached Skagway that 10 of the 25 horses had been killed, slipping on the ice and falling over bluffs. Some of the oxen had also been lost. The party's only chance of success is to wait until the snow packs and take their goods over by dog trail.

All told, quite a large amount of money and gold dust came down on the Farallon, several of the men from Dawson City being claim owners and brought out considerable dust, and others having done fairly well at \$15 a day. The men who have been working for wages along the trails also did well financially.

FROM TESLIN LAKE.

Passengers From Wrangell Who Came Down on the Farallon.

John Bowker, Jr., who returned on the steamer Farallon yesterday evening, left in as far as Lake Tagish. He brings news of the different engineers who have gone in from Telegraph creek and the Yukon party. When on his way out with Mr. Cotton, a civil engineer, who went with him, he met C. E. Jennings, the government engineer, and his party about 40 miles from Telegraph creek. A. St. Cyr, another government engineer, who has been surveying the Teslin lake route, was also on his way out with the younger Ogilvie, a son of William Ogilvie, but on meeting with the Jennings party he was ordered by Jennings to go down the Hootlanguish with Ogilvie and report on the navigability of the river.

About twelve miles from Telegraph creek Mr. Bowker met the Duchesnay party of the C.P.R. surveyors, who are surveying for the railway which the C.P.R. propose building from Telegraph creek to Lake Teslin. The Yorks party were met a little further down the trail. They were making their third trip in to the lake with their provisions. The machinery and other goods for the steam saw and saw mill, which they intend building at the lake, was still at Telegraph creek, and no attempt will be made to get it in until the snow falls, when Yorks and his party will try to get it in on sleds.

The Stickeen is now very low and but few boats are going up and few people going in. Many are, however, camped at Wrangell awaiting the spring.

THE STICKEEN ROUTE.

Captain of the Alaskan Comes Down on the City of Seattle.

Captain J. D. Tackabery, master of the steamer Alaskan, the only steamer on the Stickeen river, is a guest at the Oriental, having come down on the City of Seattle. He speaks from experience, having navigated the river for years. In his opinion, the Stickeen-Teslin lake route is the one route to the Yukon, and his opinion is being borne out by the fact that hundreds of men are flocking to Wrangell from Skagway and Dyea, to await the opening of the river in the spring. Some years the river is open by the latter part of April, or between the first and sixteenth of May. He has never seen it later than the latter date, remains navigable until October, when the ice commences to come down. On the last trip of the Alaskan some ice was encountered, but since then the weather has been warmer, which might again close the river. The Alaskan is a rather deep draught boat for river traffic, so she cannot run as long as could lighter draught steamers.

Captain Tackabery advises men not to

attempt to go up the river on the ice. It is, he says, a very hard and hazardous trip, and there is not much to be gained by it. Men are still at work on the trail from Telegraph creek to Teslin lake. Mr. Callbreath's pack train has made three trips across with provisions for his store at the lake, and it was the intention to attempt a fourth trip. Should they fail to get through the goods will be cached and the rest of the trip made on the snow. There are 300 men at Telegraph creek waiting for the snow to fall, so that they can get their goods over on sleds. Frank Yorks is taking his goods to the top of the knoll, four miles from Telegraph creek, so that when the snow falls he will have a down grade run to the lake. There will be considerable traffic over the trail this winter, so that the snow road should be a good one.

Before leaving Telegraph creek Capt. Tackabery had a conversation with Mr. St. Cyr, the government engineer. Mr. St. Cyr says the route is a good one for either a wagon road or a railway. There is a very slight grade from Telegraph creek to what is known as the top of the hill, a distance of four miles. From there to the lake is four miles. There are a number of men coming up the river in small boats, but they, Capt. Tackabery says, will never get through to Telegraph creek, unless the ice is very late in forming. They will have to camp along the river.

A KLONDIKE MILLIONAIRE.

Jack Ross Arrives Here on His Way to California.

Jack Ross and wife, of Juneau, are in Victoria on their way to California for a holiday. Jack was one of the lucky men who went into the Klondike in the spring and came out a couple or three months ago with quite a sack, besides retaining an interest in several claims. He says there is any amount of gold in the country, and anything under \$50,000 is not looked upon as anything. Mr. Ross will return to the diggings shortly.

CONTEMPLATED EXTENSION.

More Accommodation to be Provided for Shipping at the Outer Wharf.

Victoria's business men at least are confident of the fact that this is to be the chief outfitting point for the northern miners, and they are getting ready to handle the big rush which is looked for next spring. On every hand improvements and extensions are being made and much larger stocks than usual are being purchased. Probably the largest extension to be made is contemplated by Messrs. H. P. Hiltner & Co., Ltd., at the outer wharf. Details have not yet been decided upon and will not be until Mr. Hiltner's return to the city, but that the improvement will be extensive is verified by Mr. R. Sealbrook, vice-president of the company. He says something will have to be done to accommodate the shipping and the large amount of freight, and intimated that both the old and the new wharves would be extended and that additional freight sheds would be built.

The company has already the largest wharf and freight shed in the northwest, but every day evidence is the fact that there will not be sufficient room to accommodate the steamers that will have here in the spring for the gateway to the northern gold fields.

THE SEATTLE ARRIVES.

Another Crowd of Men, Including Three From Dawson City, Reach Here.

Another hundred men who were unable to get in to the gold fields by the Dyea and Skagway trails returned on the steamer City of Seattle, which arrived this morning, as well as a trio of men who had just come up the river and lakes from Dawson. This party consisted of two miners, Cliffe L. Moore and his son and M. C. Woodring, who has been in the employ of the Alaska Commercial Company. Another miner, G. A. Compton, came out with them, but he remained at Sheep Camp. This party, who all hail from Seattle, left Dawson on September 7th and poled up the Yukon, up the Lewis and up the lakes to Lake Lindemann, and from there they came over the Chilcoot Pass to Dyea. On the way out they passed many boats—from five to thirty-five passed them daily—and in each boat there were five to seven men. Many of them, Mr. Moore thinks, will reach Dawson this fall, but a large number are making for Stuart river. Many will be obliged to camp along the river, for but a percentage, though not a small one, will get in. When the party left Lake Lindemann on Monday last, men were still starting down from there. There have been comparatively few accidents on the lakes and river considering the large number of inexperienced men who are going in. As far as Mr. Moore could learn there have been but few men drowned. He brings the news of a drowning accident on Lake Bennett which cost two San Franciscans, Joe McManus and Peter Wyllia, their lives. These two men, with Joe Proch, also of San Francisco, were sailing down Lake Bennett when a squall came on. McManus tried to lower the sail, but in doing so fell overboard. Wyllia heroically sprang into the water to rescue him, but the drowning man, clutching him tightly, dragged him would-be rescuer down with him. Proch put back to the camp at Lake Bennett and told the story of the death of his companions. Moore and his party saw but one wrecked boat which pointed to an accident. This boat, one of the kind built at Lake Bennett, was lying on the bar at the end of a canyon near the Fifteen-Mile rapids.

Moore and Woodring both say that there will be no shortage of provisions at Dawson this winter. The stores have stopped selling provisions, it is true, but that was done only to prevent men from getting a corner on the provisions there and charging exorbitant prices. The warehouses of the Trading companies have enough provisions to feed the people there and unless they are destroyed by fire or otherwise there will be no famine. These stories of famine are all told by imaginative persons, who have not stopped to reason out the circumstances. They knew the stores had stopped selling and at once jumped to the conclusion that the stores had no food to sell and spring this yarn of impending famine on the outside world. "The reason for this story is undoubtedly to keep people away from the Klondike," Mr. Woodring said. "You may rest as-



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assured that there is nothing to them." Neither do our Moore came out on account of food being short, and for that matter they would not hesitate in going right in again. They have about \$3,000 in gold dust between them.

As to the rumor that a mysterious disease has broken out at Dawson, killing about five men a day, both Moore and Woodring laugh at it. "It is all nonsense," said Moore. "There is scarcely any sickness at Dawson. It is one of the healthiest mining camps in existence. There are, it is true, a number of men on the back trail, but it is neither sickness nor fear of famine that drives them out. They wait to get back to their homes, that is all."

Among the other passengers who came down on the City of Seattle were Messrs. Fred Marcus, Rudolph and Campbell, who have been running the saw mill and building and selling boats at Lake Bennett. They have done well and can show lots of currency for their season's work.

The Seattle brings news of the loss of many of the animals which the Thorpe party were endeavoring to take in over the Dalton trail. They were caught in a heavy snow storm and 43 out of the 46 horses were lost and many of the cattle. This party have abandoned the idea of going in over the Dalton trail and have returned to Haines' mission. They will now endeavor to drive their cattle over the Skagway trail and on arriving at Lake Bennett kill them and take the meat down the lakes and river in boats.

Among the passengers were the following would-be miners and packers who left the steamer at Victoria: Norman Macaulay, N. C. Takaberry, John Williams, A. Downing, F. Downing, Anton Henderson, Louis Holmes, A. McCullough and Capt. Clements.

The body of Alvah Van Buren, of Snohomish, who died and was buried on the Skagway trail last month, was brought down by a Seattle undertaker, who went up for it. It will be interred at Snohomish.

The steamer City of Seattle spoke the Quidna, and Capt. Wallraut told her officers that he would not be back for about ten days yet. The Seattle made very good time downward, catching up two days on the steamer Farallon, which left Skagway three days before her. She brought down 3,000 cases of salmon from the Metlakatla canneries.

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